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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In conjunction with the RCE submitted herewith, this amendment is being filed in response to the Final Rejection dated May 12, 2009.

Please consider the amendments and responsive remarks provided herewith.

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.
- Copies of the **Matsuura** and **Buonocore** articles, as discussed in the following remarks are also submitted herewith.